

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Call to Order: Chair Krayton Kerns, on March 15, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Krayton Kerns, Chair (R)
Rep. Bob Wagner, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Joanne G. Blyton (R)
Rep. Christy Clark (R)
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Rep. Alan Hale (R)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Sterling Small (R)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Lila Walter Evans (R)
Rep. Jonathan McNiven (R)

Members Absent: Rep. Timothy Furey, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. David Howard (R)
Rep. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D)
Rep. Daniel R. Salomon (R)

Staff Present: Dave Bohyer, Legislative Branch
Lauren Head, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 296, 3/10/2011; SB 384, 3/10/2011; SJ 14, 3/10/11

HEARING ON SB 384**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:21 Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D), SD 25, opened the hearing on SB 384, Eliminate certain committees and boards in Dept. of Agriculture.

00:01:50 Rep. MacDonald joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:47 Cort Jensen, Department of Agriculture (DOAg)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:10:59 Sen. Tutvedt, SD 3

00:12:03 Rep. McNiven joined the meeting.

Informational Testimony: None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:12:42 Vice Chairman Wagner

00:13:08 Mr. Jensen

00:13:11 Vice Chairman Wagner

00:13:31 Sen. Tutvedt

00:14:03 Vice Chairman Wagner

00:14:08 Sen. Tutvedt

00:14:18 Vice Chairman Wagner

00:14:25 Sen. Tutvedt

00:14:32 Vice Chairman Wagner

00:14:41 Sen. Tutvedt

00:14:59 Rep. Hoven

00:15:25 Mr. Jensen

00:15:36 Rep. Fitzpatrick

00:16:18 Sen. Van Dyk

00:16:20 Rep. Fitzpatrick

00:16:41 Sen. Van Dyk

00:16:57 Mr. Jensen

00:18:18 Rep. Fitzpatrick

00:18:24 Mr. Jensen

00:18:39 Rep. Fitzpatrick

00:18:55 Mr. Jensen

00:19:16 Rep. McNiven

00:19:34 Sen. Van Dyk

00:19:37 Rep. McNiven

00:20:17 Sen. Van Dyk

00:20:51 Rep. McNiven

00:21:08 Sen. Van Dyk

00:21:14 Rep. Blyton

00:21:31 Sen. Van Dyk
 00:21:48 Rep. Blyton
 00:22:47 Sen. Van Dyk
 00:23:09 Rep. Blyton
 00:23:52 Sen. Van Dyk
 00:24:22 Rep. Blyton
 00:24:37 Sen. Van Dyk
 00:24:48 Rep. Blyton
 00:24:57 Mr. Jensen
 00:25:04 Rep. Blyton
 00:25:12 Mr. Jensen
 00:25:21 Rep. Fitzpatrick
 00:25:40 Sen. Van Dyk
 00:25:52 Rep. Williams
 00:26:39 Sen. Van Dyk
 00:26:44 Rep. Williams
 00:26:57 Sen. Van Dyk
 00:27:08 Rep. Hoven
 00:27:20 Sen. Tutvedt

Closing by Sponsor:

00:28:24 Sen. Van Dyk

HEARING ON SB 296

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:30:48 Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB 296, Increase penalty for each violation of dept. of ag quarantine.
 00:31:34 Rep. Randall left the meeting.
 00:32:41 Rep. Small left the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:32:51 Cort Jensen, DOAg

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:35:46 Vice Chairman Wagner
 00:36:04 Mr. Jensen
 00:36:25 Vice Chairman Wagner
 00:36:27 Rep. Randall rejoined the meeting.
 00:36:35 Mr. Jensen

00:36:56 Vice Chairman Wagner
00:37:02 Mr. Jensen
00:37:45 Vice Chairman Wagner
00:38:51 Mr. Jensen
00:39:15 Rep. Williams
00:39:33 Mr. Jensen
00:39:47 Rep. Williams
00:40:04 Mr. Jensen
00:40:21 Rep. Small rejoined the meeting.
00:41:06 Rep. Williams
00:41:19 Mr. Jensen
00:42:07 Rep. Williams
00:42:21 Rep. Read
00:42:48 Sen. Tutvedt
00:43:00 Rep. Read
00:43:02 Sen. Tutvedt
00:43:06 Rep. Read
00:43:45 Sen. Tutvedt
00:43:51 Mr. Jensen

Closing by Sponsor:

00:44:45 Sen. Tutvedt

HEARING ON SJ 14

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:46:16 Sen. Bob Hawks (D), SD 33, opened the hearing on SJ 14, Resolution urging improved Dept of Livestock communication on bison control.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:48:56 Vice Chairman Wagner
00:50:16 Sen. Hawks

Closing by Sponsor:

00:51:23 Sen. Hawks

ADJOURNMENT

00:52:24 Adjournment

Lauren Head, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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